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A general guide for outlining when predominant colors are:

Blues—1 ply 939
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Greens—1 ply 500
Reds—1 ply 902
Combination—1 ply 310

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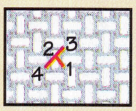
Blues—1 ply 311
Browns—1 ply 801
Greens—1 ply 367
Reds—1 ply 221
Combination—1 ply 535

***Note:** Unless otherwise specified, all outlining should be 1 ply.*

Basic Stitches

CROSS STITCH: One cross stitch is equal to one square on each chart. The cross stitch is formed by two straight stitches that cross each other at their centers. When working in a horizontal or vertical line, do bottom stitches first (all in the same direction): then work top stitches back in opposite direction to complete row. Use two ply floss for all basic stitching, unless otherwise indicated. Use one ply for all outline stitching.

THREE-QUARTER STITCH: The three quarter stitch is formed by a one-half cross stitch and a one-quarter cross stitch.



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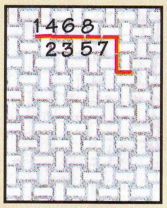
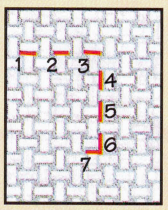


RUNNING STITCH: May by used in lieu of backstitch. Outline entire area with running stitch going in one direction. Then repeat running stitch in opposite direction. Your needlework will lay flatter than when using a backstitch.



Measuring Your Fabric

1. Check the Stitch Count chart for the size your finished design will be. This will depend on the fabric count you are using.
2. Allow 3" leeway on each side of the design for framing. For example, if you are using 14-ct. fabric and the finished design area will be 5"x7", you will need to cut a piece of fabric 11"x13".
3. To start stitching, find the middle of the design on the chart by using the center arrows and find the middle of your fabric. Start stitching here. Always starting in the middle of the design and fabric ensures that the design will be centered on the piece of fabric you have cut.

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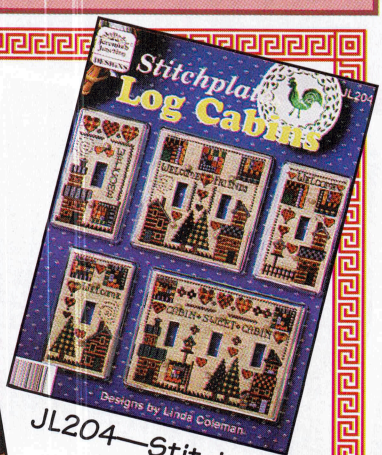

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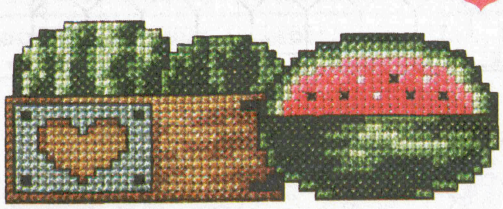

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Wildlife Sanctuary

Dear Stitchers:

I'm enjoying the summer activity. My owl house is in place—but no inhabitants. I put cracked corn and sunflower seed in a plant saucer in hopes of distracting the squirrels away from the owl house. It worked, but their appetites keep me hopping.

Our wren house has a family, and the butterfly house is occupied. They seem to enjoy the butterfly garden I planted. I've used upside down, cracked planters for toad shelters, too!

I'm opting for a bat house, but my husband says that's where he draws the line. I reminded him that they eat their weight in bugs. He said he'd prefer the bugs.

Well, we have a wildlife sanctuary for everyone but the bats. Maybe I can sneak their house in when he's not looking. We'll see.

Have a great summer!
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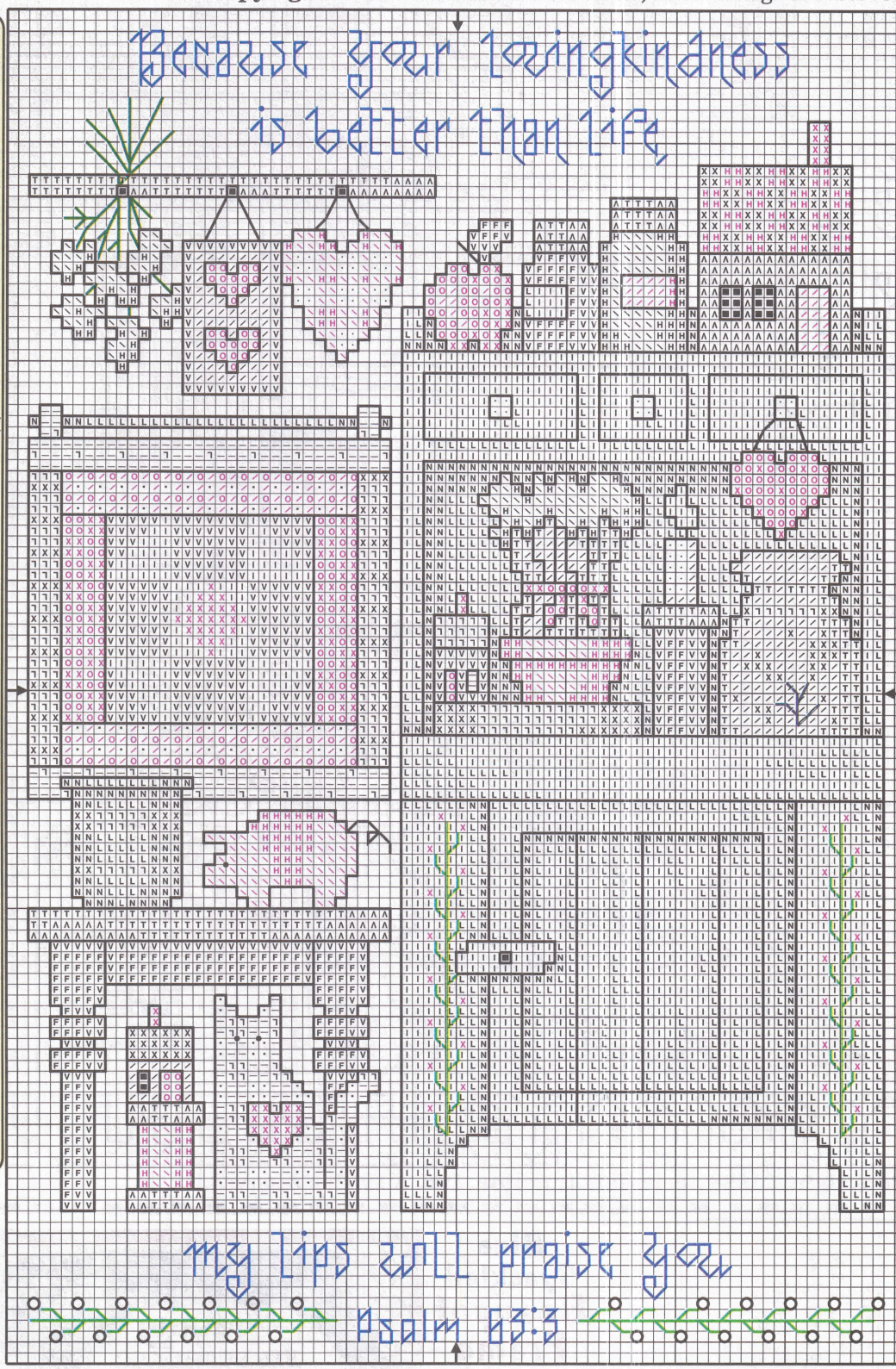
Your Lovingkindness

DMC		ANC	JPC	COLOR
white	·	white	white	white
676	|	891	2410	old gold lt
680	L	901	2412	old gold dk
869	N	944	5393	hazel nut dk
3033	/	388	5388	mocha vy lt
3023	T	8581	8900	brown gray lt
3022	Λ	8581	8900	brown gray m
310	■	403	8403	black
3752	—	274		antiq blue v lt
931	⅂	850	7051	antiq blue m
3750	X	675	7980	antiq blue v dk
341	\	117	7005	blue violet lt
793	H	121	7110	cornflwr blue m
367	F	217	6018	green med
500	V	879	6880	blue green v dk
407	\	883		flesh vy dk
632	H	352	2339	negro
353	/	8	3006	peach flesh
347	○	13	3013	salmon dk
814	x	22	3044	garnet dk

Mill Hill Beads: ◯ #GBA05 antique cranberry
Outlines: 1 ply 310
Stems: 2 ply 500
Eyes: French knot: 2 ply 310
Verse: 1 ply 3750

Stitch Count: 78x120
11 count: 7 1/8 x 10 7/8
14 count: 5 5/8 x 8 5/8
16 count: 4 7/8 x 7 1/2
18 count: 4 3/8 x 6 5/8
22 count: 3 1/2 x 5 1/2



Praise the Lord because His grace, mercy and care are better even than life! All of creation praises the wonder of His majesty! Stitch a country kitchen filled with abundance and bake up dozens of treats for the wonderful friends and family that the Lord has blessed you with.

Sampler *is stitched on 14-ct. Fiddler's Lite Aida.*

14-ct. Fiddler's Lite **Aida:** *#CCF10.....3/$10.95*
Beads: *antique cranberry, #GBA05.....$1.50/pkg.*

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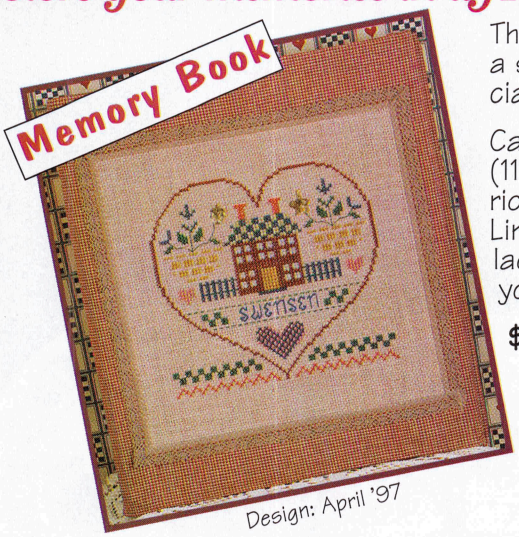
Country Sampler

Store your memories in a Homespun treasure!



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This extra-large binder is perfect as a scrap book, photo album or special memory holder!

Cappuccino-colored binder (11½"x12"x3") has a Homespun fabric cover with a 14-ct. mushroom Linaida insert edged with country lace. It is all ready for stitching your favorite cross stitch design!

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Love & Friendship

The angel 'Understanding' brings compassion, kindness and patience. 'Virtue' is an angel showing moral excellence, duty and merit. Add these two angels to your alphabet afghan or stitch them up on pillows, wall hangings or as special gifts for someone you love.

Charts on pages 12 & 13.

Three little blessings, stitched straight from the heart—love for our God, love for dear friends and love for far-away cherished ones. Hearts are a beautiful symbol of the very spirit of country. Our heavenly Father, our dearest friends and our family are the very essence of love.

Loving Hearts

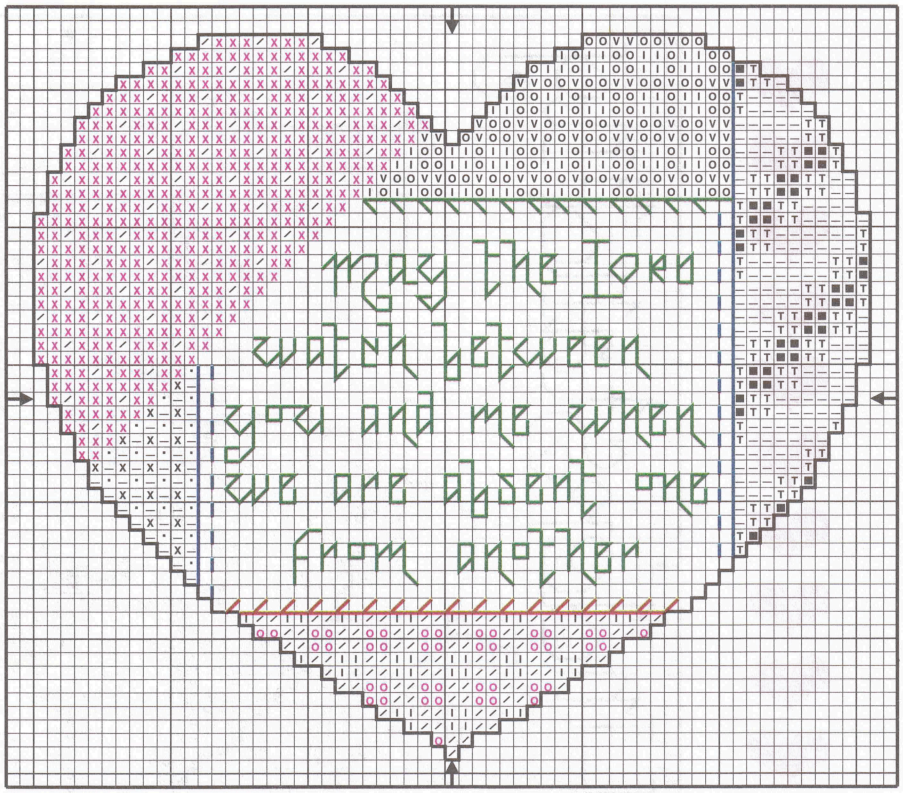
DMC		ANC	JPC	COLOR
white	·	white	white	white
676	|	891	2410	old gold lt
832	L	907	2412	olive gold
830	T	889	5374	olive gold dk
3752	—	274		antique blue vy lt
931	x	850	7051	antique blue med
224	/	893	3240	shell pink lt
502	o	877	6876	blue green med
500	v	879	6880	blue green vy dk
223	o	894	3241	shell pink
221	x	897	3243	shell pink vy dk
310	■	403	8403	black

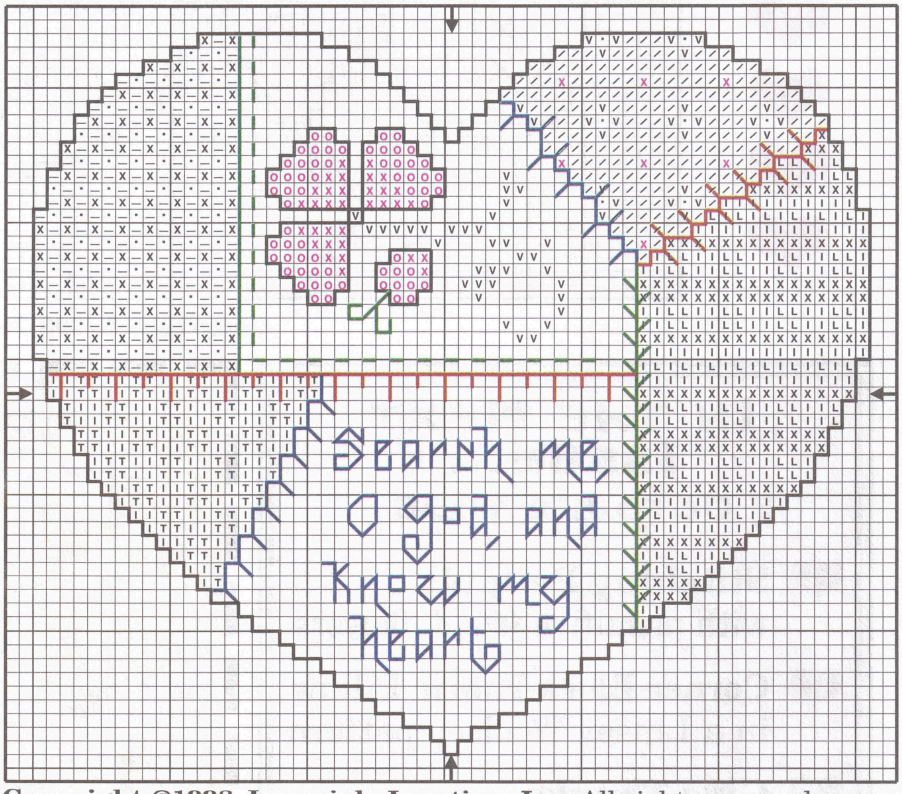
------- 2 ply 221
------- 2 ply 336
------- 2 ply 500

'Search me' verse: 1 ply 336
'May the LORD' verse: 1 ply 500
Outlines: 1 ply 310

Stitch Count: 53x61
11 count: $4^{7}/_{8}$x$5^{1}/_{2}$
14 count: $3^{3}/_{4}$x$4^{3}/_{8}$
16 count: $3^{3}/_{8}$x$3^{7}/_{8}$
18 count: $2^{7}/_{8}$x$3^{3}/_{8}$
22 count: $2^{3}/_{8}$x$2^{3}/_{4}$

Charms:
Copper-plated—
Small heart #BQ28
Fancy large heart #BQ29
Gold-plated—
Small heart (2) #BQ06
Best Friends #BQ25





Hearts *are stitched on 18-ct. Fiddler's Lite Aida.*

Fabric: *18-ct. Fiddler's Lite Aida, #CCF11...3/$10.95*

Frames:
6"x6" Chunky Heart Pin Dot Mat & Frame Set
JKF13 (blue) $8.95
JKF14 (green). $8.95
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Small Heart #BQ06 . . . . . 3/$1.25

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Fancy Large Heart #BQ29 3/$1.50

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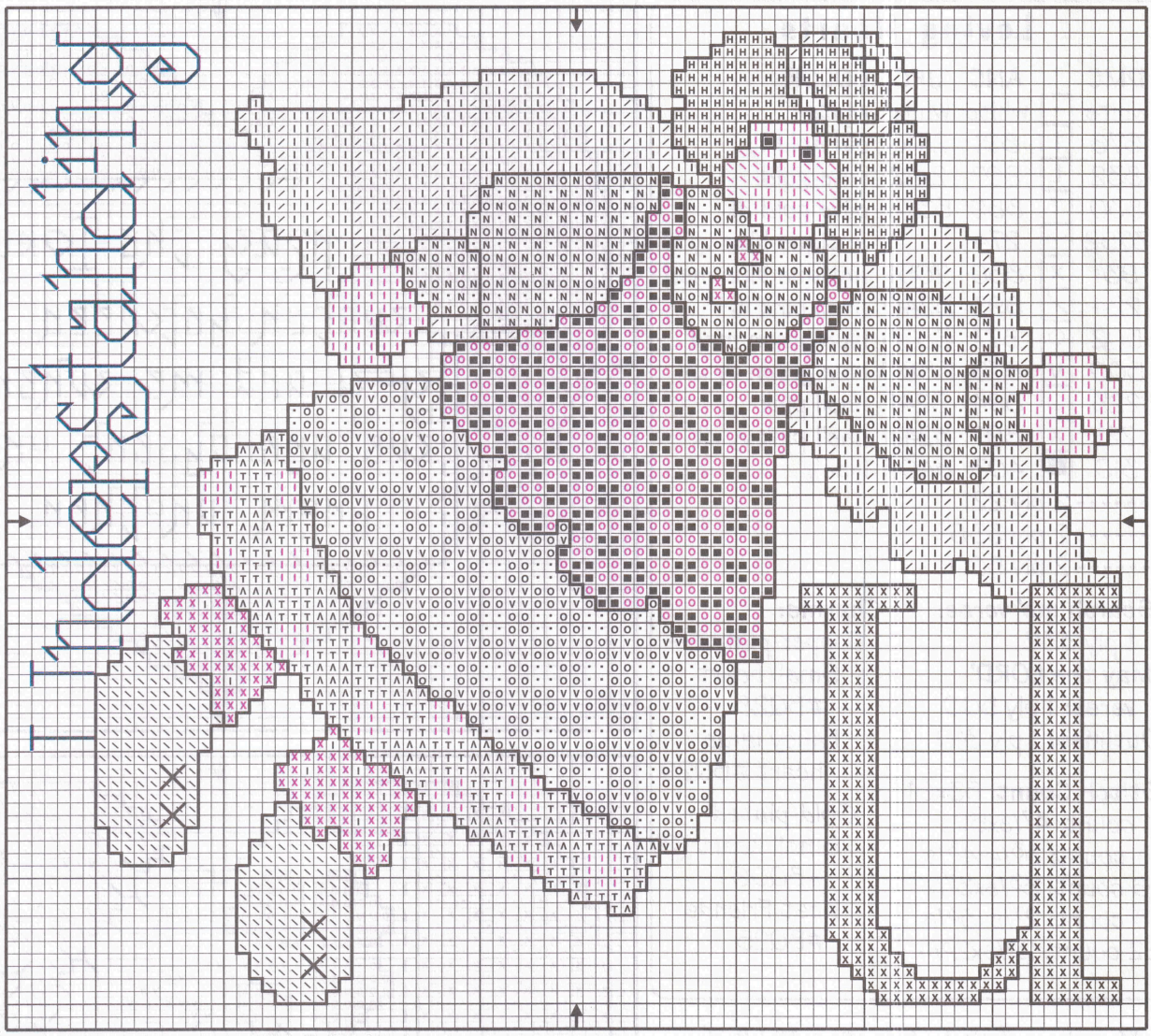

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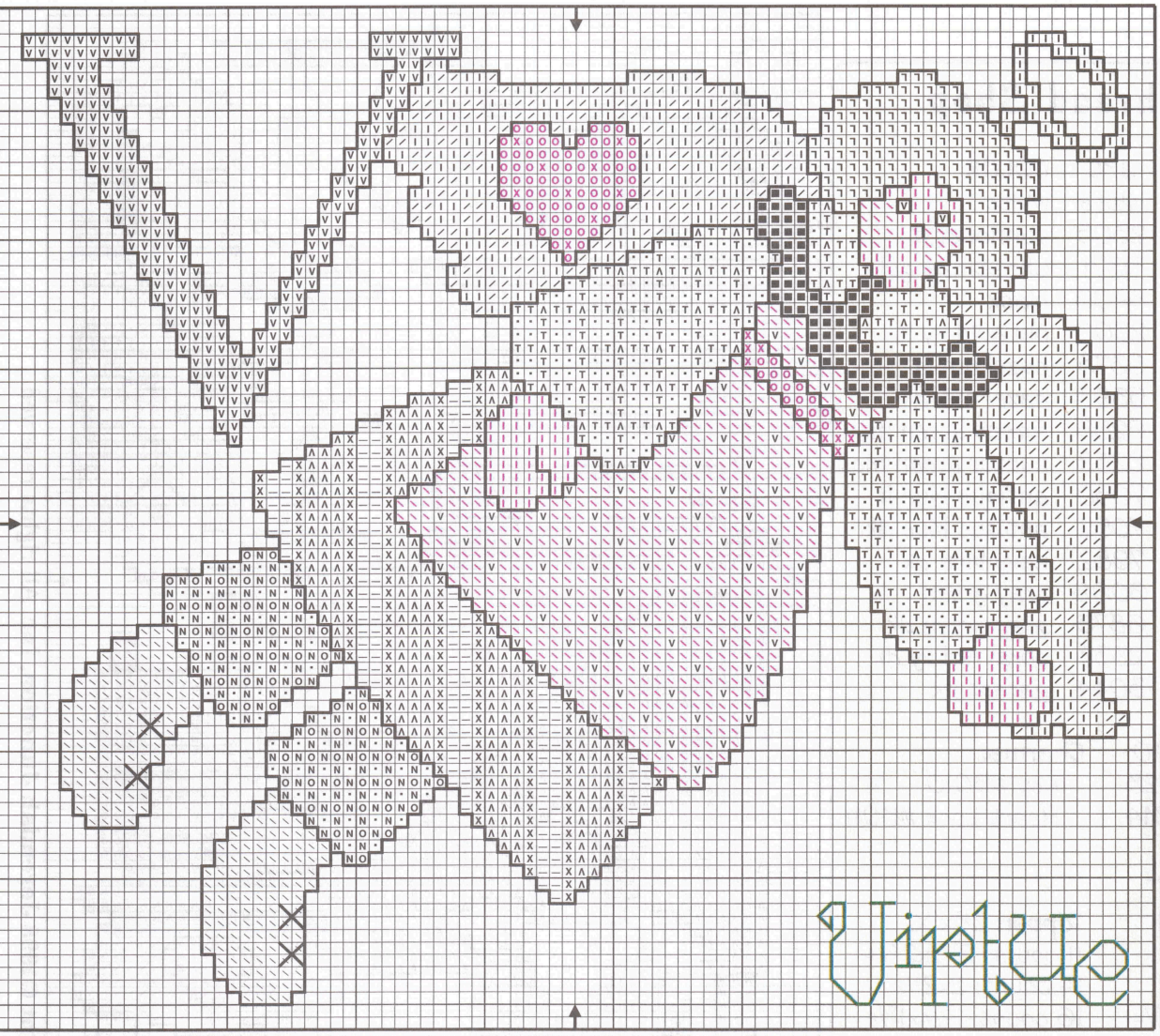

Angels *are worked on 18-ct. antique white prefringed cotton afghan.*

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ABC Angel Afghan (U & V)

DMC		ANC	JPC	COLOR
white	·	white	white	white
356	T	884	2338	terra cotta med
315	^	896	3082	antique mauve dk
677	|	292	2300	old gold vy lt
3821	/	891	2410	gold med lt
793	—	121	7110	cornflower blue med
336	x	149	7981	navy blue
989	N	242	6266	forest green
986	O	246	6021	forest green vy dk
890	v	879	6021	pistachio green vy dk
310	■	403	8403	black
760	\	9	3069	salmon
304	o	799	3401	Christmas red med
814	x	22	3044	garnet dk
951	|	366	3335	sportsman flesh vy lt
437	/	376	5942	tan lt
918	┐	341	3340	copper dk
3790	H	904	5393	beige gray vy dk

Outlines: 1 ply 310
'Understanding': 2 ply 336
'Virtue': 2 ply 890

Stitch Count: 76x85
11 count: $6^{7}/_{8}$x$7^{3}/_{4}$
14 count: $5^{3}/_{8}$x6
16 count: $4^{3}/_{4}$x$5^{3}/_{8}$
18 count: $4^{1}/_{4}$x$4^{3}/_{4}$
22 count: $3^{3}/_{8}$x$3^{7}/_{8}$

The Thread Shop

DMC		ANC	JPC	COLOR
white	·	white	white	white
3822	|	305	2305	sunflower lt
783	L	307	5371	Christmas gold
310	■	403	8403	black
677	/	292	2300	old gold vy lt
422	/	373	5373	hazel nut lt
869	N	944	5393	hazel nut dk
988	O	243	6258	forest green med
3345	V	268	6258	hunter green med
932	—	848	7050	antique blue lt
930	∧	851	7052	antique blue dk
823	X	150	7982	navy blue dk
927	T	837	6006	gray green
3768	H	838	6878	gray green dk
817	○	19	2335	coral red vy dk
814	X	22	3044	garnet dk

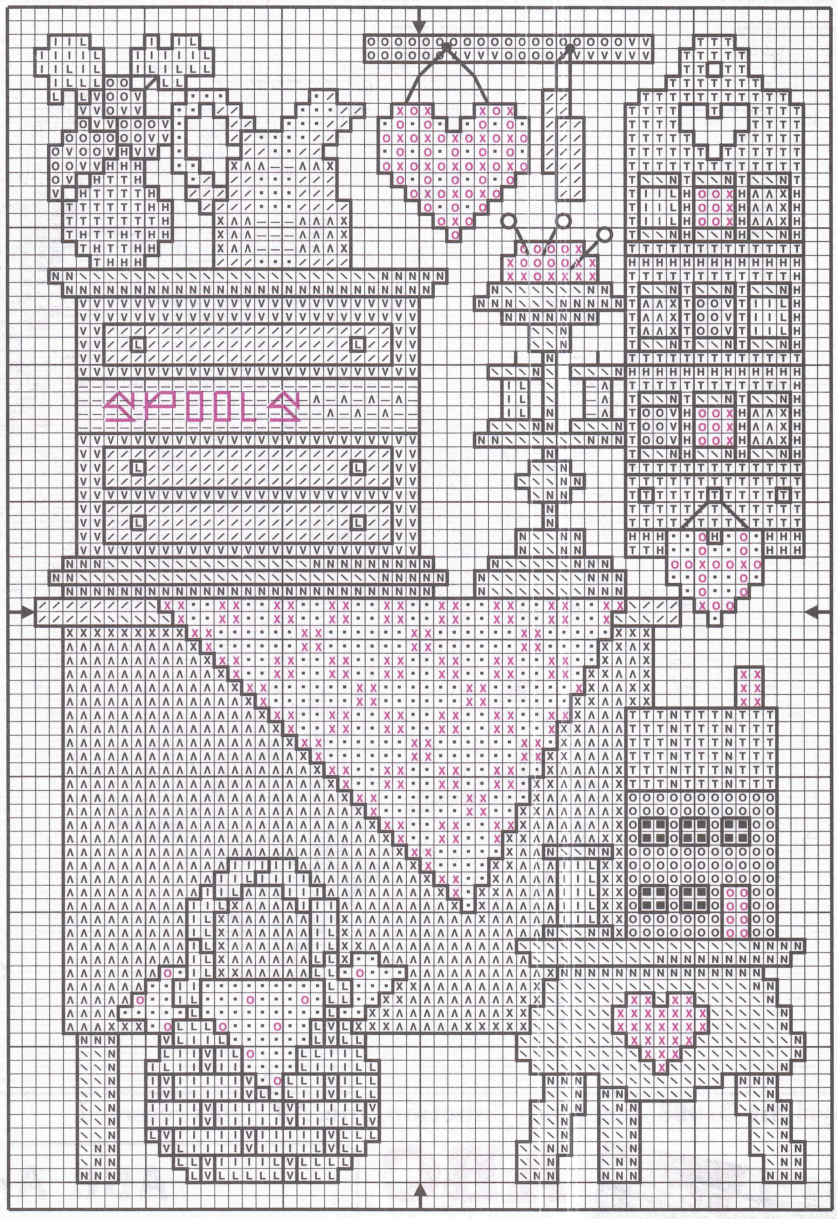
Outlines: 1 ply 310
SPOOLS: 1 ply 823
SPOOLS: 2 ply 814

Charms:
Key #BQ10
Heart Lock #BQ11

Stitch Counts—

Sampler: 56x84
11 count: 5x7 5/8
14 count: 4x6
16 count: 3 1/2x5 1/4
18 count: 3 1/8x4 5/8
22 count: 2 1/2x3 7/8

Topper: 28x30
11 count: 2 1/2x2 3/4
14 count: 2x2 1/8
16 count: 1 3/4x1 7/8
18 count: 1 1/2x1 5/8
22 count: 1 1/4x1 3/8



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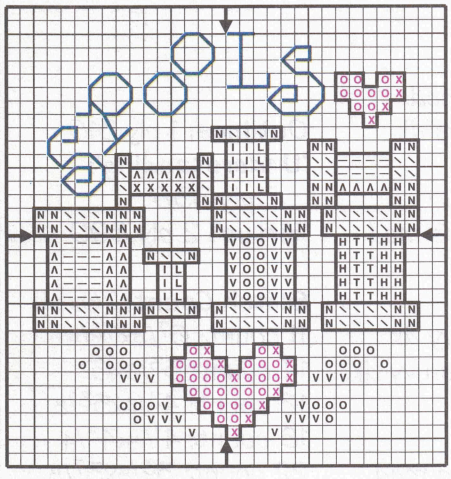

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A two-part series—one horizontal and one vertical with a denim blue stitched aida mat.

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HW02-G (green) $7.50

Fabric: *14-ct. Fiddler's Cloth, #CCF9 3/$10.95*

Charms:
Key, #BQ10 . . . . . .3/$1.75
Heart Lock, #BQ11 . . . . .3/$1.25

Quart Jar with Wire Holder and Puffy Top:
MW20-B (blue) $14.95
MW20-G (green) $14.95
MW20-R (red) $14.95

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Collectibles
Thread Shop

Yards of rainbow-hued threads, flosses and twists of spun wool bedeck the cupboards and counters of the village Thread Shop. With more brilliance than Rumpelstiltskin's treasure, this glittering array will capture the imagination of every cross stitcher. Our second Collectible Shop celebrates the wealth of stitching's finest goods.

Special Feature
4-part Frame & Bellpull

Four seasons of gardening, four seasons of cats. Our delightful cats make a charming divided sampler or they can be stitched separately on Bandaida, bellpulls or in individual frames. Curl up in a favorite corner with your kitty and stitch away!

Four cats are worked on 14-ct. blush aida.
Resting cat is stitched on 14-ct. Bandaida.

Charts on page 20.

14-ct. blush **Aida:** .....*#CCF8*.....*3/$10.95*
4" **Bandaida:**
Evergreen (shown).....*#DE18-GR* .....*$5.95/yd.*
Cranberry .....*#DE18-CR* .....*$5.95/yd.*
Blue.....*#DE18-BL*.....*$5.95/yd.*
5" **Wire Heart Hanger:** *#MM13* .....*3/$5.50*
Spongeware Button: *red .#HH03 (2/pkg) .$2.95*
Wire Heart Easel: .....*#MW09*.....*$12.95*

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Frame:
11"x11" (4 opening) #268-BK
Available only from **Taylor'sWorkshop/ Frames Unique: (910)599-8305,** *1538 Old Durham Rd., Roxboro, NC 27573.*

From Dorothy's Kitchen

Tuna Puffs

2 cans tuna, drained
1 Tbsp. chopped onion
2 egg whites and 1 whole egg
1/3 Cup Hellmann's light mayonnaise
1/4 Cup plain non-fat yogurt
1 tsp. Worcestershire sauce
2 tsp. yellow mustard
1/4 cup finely chopped celery

1 package Hungry Jack Flaky Layers Biscuits

Preheat oven to 375°. Lightly grease a 7"x11" pan (I use glass). In a bowl, mix all the ingredients together except the biscuits. Separate each biscuit in half (top and bottom). Arrange the bottom parts of the biscuits in two rows in your pan. Spread the filling over all. Put the tops on and sprinkle with the following:

1/2 Cup grated sharp cheddar cheese
1/4 Cup grated parmesan cheese

Bake for 20 to 25 minutes or until golden brown. Serves 5-6. This makes a great luncheon dish or light supper.

Sow
Seeds
Tend
Reap
Rest

HOME-
STYLE
HONEY
WELCOME
How sweet are your words
to my taste,
sweeter than honey
to my mouth
PSALM 119:103

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Sweeter Than Honey

DMC		ANC	JPC	COLOR
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3046	T	887	2410	yellow beige med
420	N	375	5374	hazel nut med
743	I	297	2302	yellow pale med
783	L	307	5371	Christmas gold
341	—	117	7005	blue violet lt
793	^	121	7110	cornflower blue m
318	X	398	8514	steel gray lt
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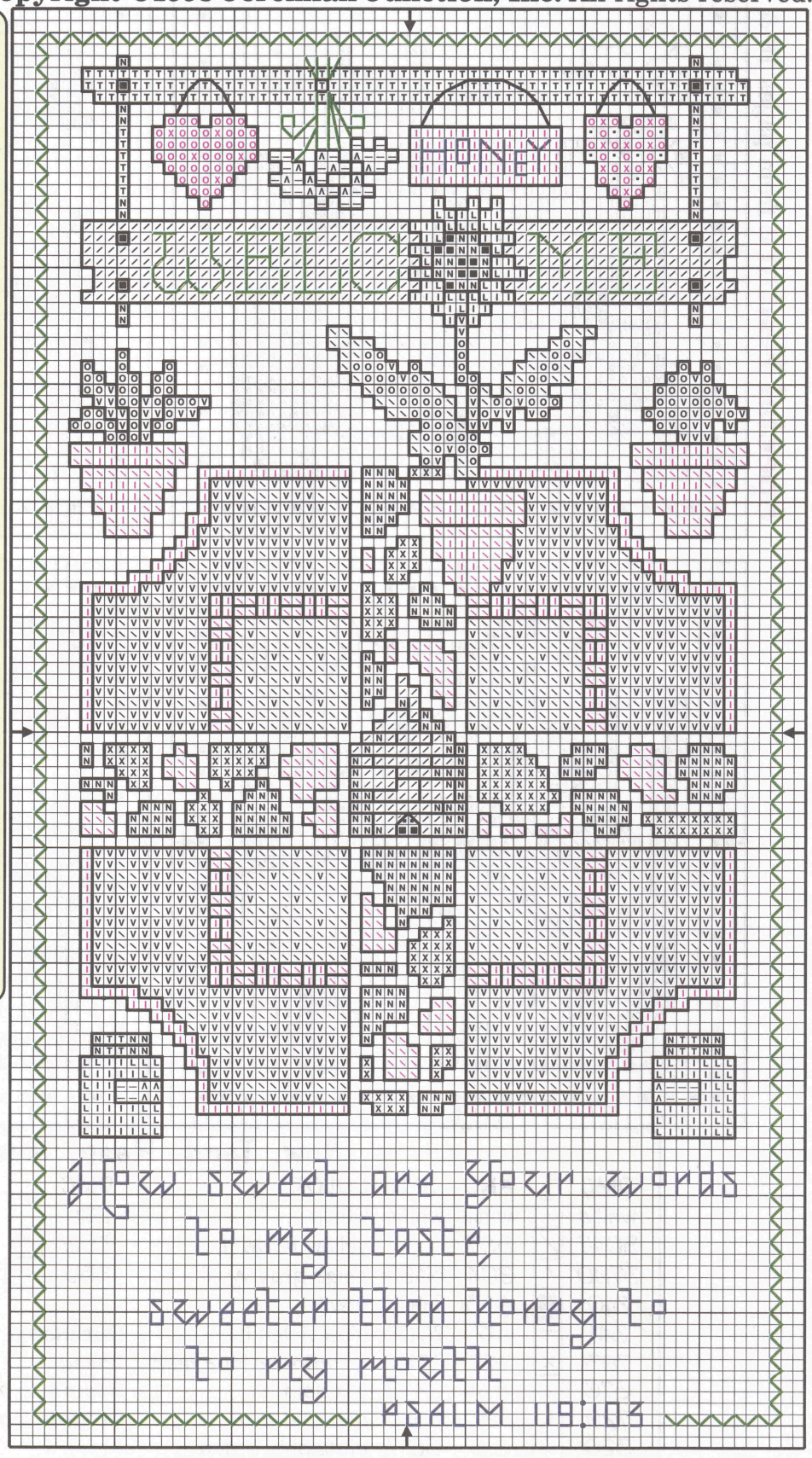
3348	\	265	6266	hunter green vy lt
367	O	217	6018	green med
890	V	879	6021	green vy dk
758	|	868	2337	terra cotta lt
3778	\	883	2338	terra cotta
347	O	13	3013	salmon dk
814	X	22	3044	garnet dk

Outlines: 1 ply 310
Stems, ^^^^
& WELCOME: 2 ply 890
Verse: 1 ply 823
HONEY: 2 ply 823

Stitch Count: 64x120
11 count: $5^{7}/_{8}$x$10^{7}/_{8}$
14 count: $4^{5}/_{8}$x$8^{5}/_{8}$
16 count: 4x$7^{1}/_{2}$
18 count: $3^{1}/_{2}$x$6^{5}/_{8}$
22 count: $2^{7}/_{8}$x$5^{1}/_{2}$

Buttons:
Gold heart stone ware (2): #DT01
Watering Can: #BL10

Bee Charms (3): #BQ18



The sweetness of honey, the lusciousness of fresh baked goods, the delectable goodness of home cooking! And yet nothing satisfies our souls or brings a sweeter taste to our mouths than the words and precepts of our God. Garden paths, honeycombs and summer foliage stitched to hang in your home bring sweet words of praise and adoration.

Sampler is stitched on 14-ct. natural aida.

Fabric: *14-ct. natural aida* . . . . . *#CCF7* . . . *3/$10.95*
Wood Hanger: *unfinished 8"* . . . . . *#AD03* . . . *$2.75*
Charms: *Bees* . . . . . *#BQ18* . . . *3/$0.95*
Buttons: *Stoneware Hearts: gold (4/pkg.)* . . *#DT01* . . . *$4.95*
Watering Can: green resin . . . . *#BL10* . . . *$1.50 each*

Watering Cans:
Blue . . . . . *#DA06-B* *$2.50*
Green . . . . *#DA06-G* *$2.50*
Red . . . . . *#DA06-R* *$2.50*

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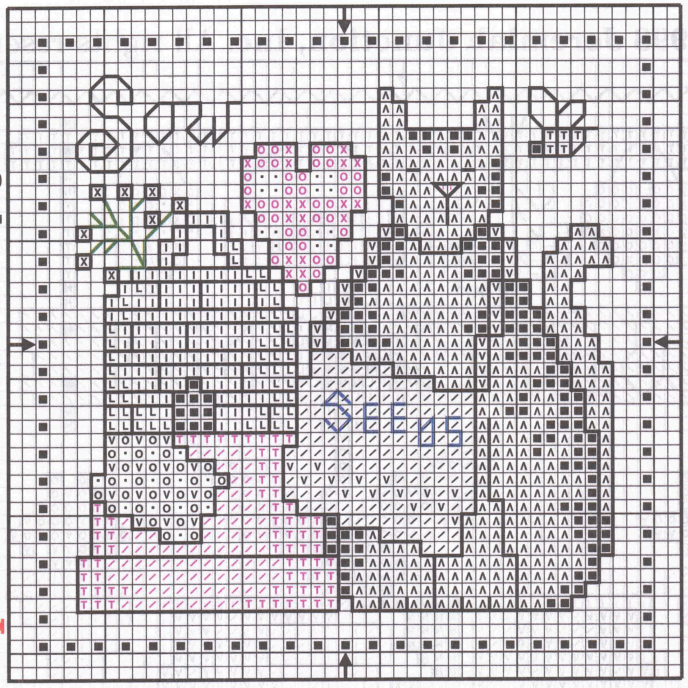

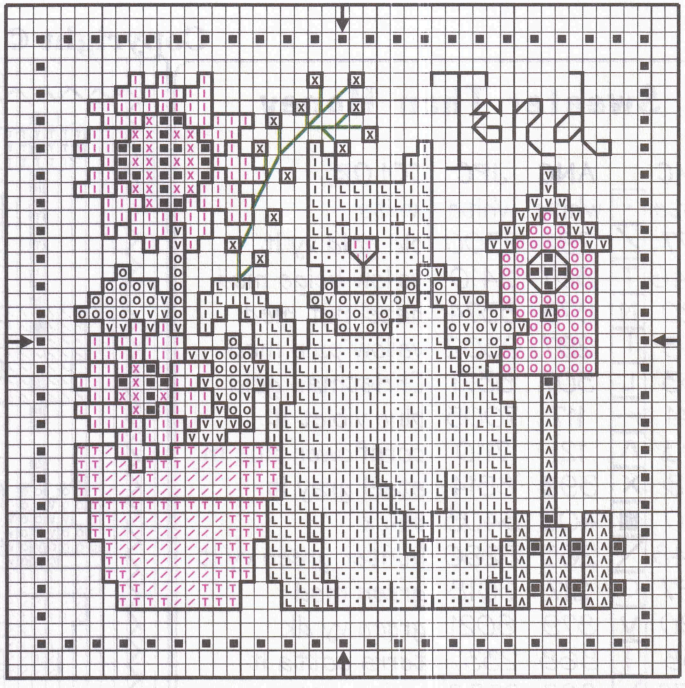

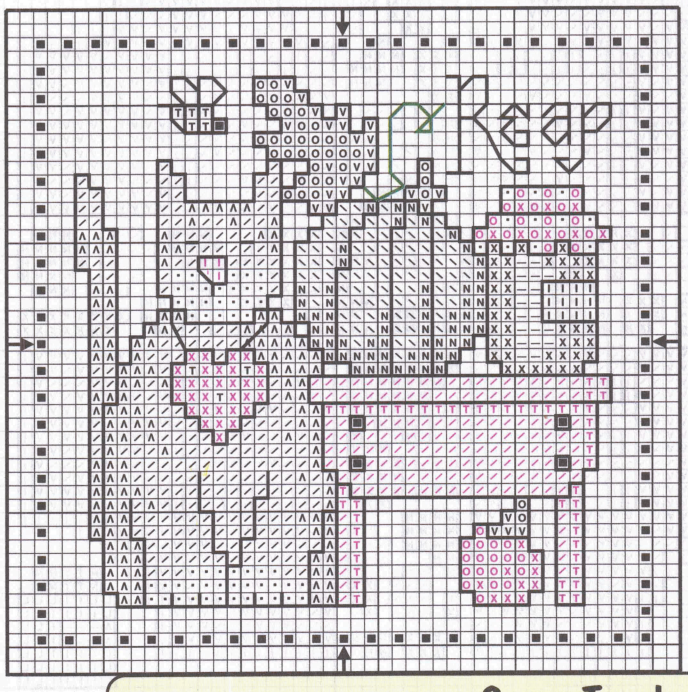

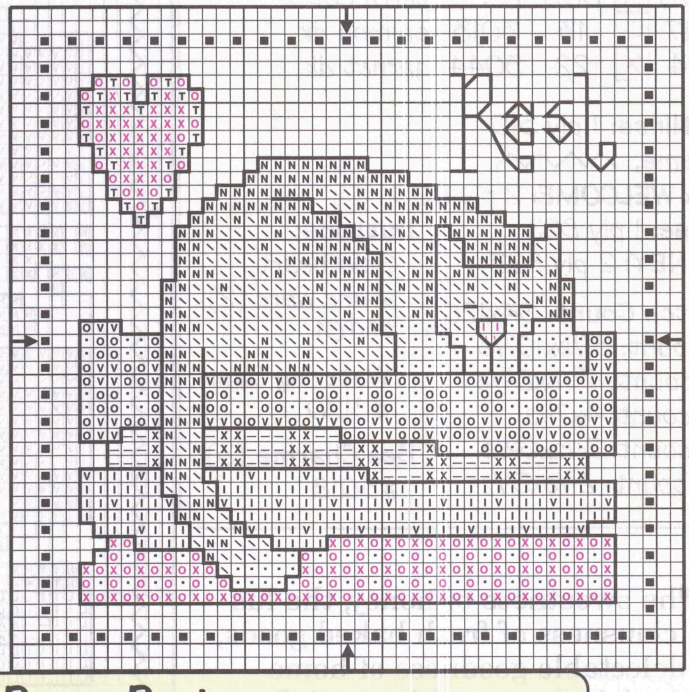

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Sow, Tend, Reap, Rest

DMC		ANC	JPC	COLOR
white	·	white	white	white
3047	/	887		yellow beige lt
3790	^	904	5393	beige gray vy dk
310	■	403	8403	black
341	—	117	7005	blue violet lt
793	x	121	7110	cornflower blue med
676	|	891	2410	old gold lt
729	L	890	2307	old gold med
320	O	216	6017	pistachio green
986	V	246	6021	forest green vy dk
743	T	297	2302	yellow pale med
976	/	365	2308	spice med
975	N	355	5349	spice dk
347	O	13	3013	salmon dk
814	x	22	3044	garnet dk

DMC		ANC	JPC	COLOR
225	|	892	3239	shell pink vy lt
356	/	884	2338	terra cotta med
355	T	340	2339	terra cotta dk

Outlines & Words: 1 ply 310
"Seeds": 2 ply 336
Stems: 2 ply 986
Button: Spongewear (red) #HH03

Stitch Count (each square): 45x45
11 count: 4x4
14 count: $3\frac{1}{4}$x$3\frac{1}{4}$
16 count: $2\frac{7}{8}$x$2\frac{7}{8}$
18 count: $2\frac{1}{2}$x$2\frac{1}{2}$
22 count: 2x2

CrosStitch Crazy

WHILE SUPPLIES LAST

More CRAZY specials on page 29.

Angel Stocking Kit

Everything included
10"x14"
JKW01
Was ~~$19.95~~ NOW $10.95

15 Notecard Assortment

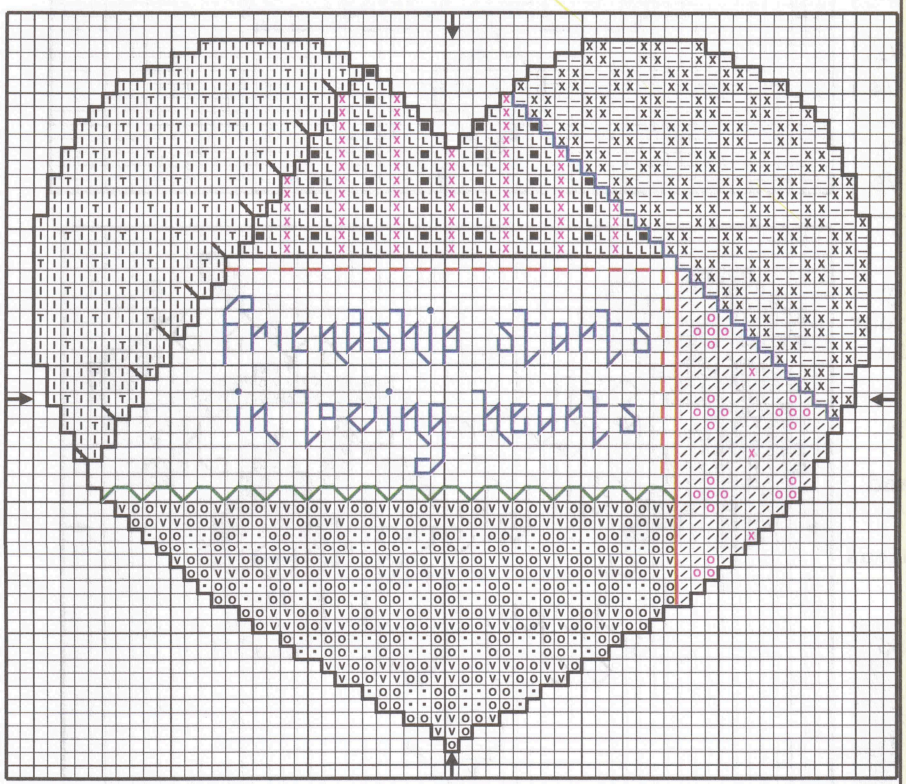
(our choice)
VP2...~~$15.00~~ NOW $6.95

Noah's Ark Buttons

GBB08
~~$6.95~~...NOW $4.95

Hearts & Stitches

from pages 10 & 11.



Loving Hearts

DMC		ANC	JPC	COLOR
white	·	white	white	white
676	|	891	2410	old gold lt
832	L	907	2412	olive gold
830	T	889	5374	olive gold dk
3752	—	274		antique blue vy lt
931	x	850	7051	antique blue med
224	/	893	3240	shell pink lt
502	○	877	6876	blue green med
500	V	879	6880	blue green vy dk
223	○	894	3241	shell pink
221	x	897	3243	shell pink vy dk
310	■	403	8403	black

- - - - - - 2 ply 221
- - - - - - 2 ply 336
- - - - - - 2 ply 500

Verse: 1 ply 336
Outlines: 1 ply 310

Stitch Count: 53x61
11 count: $4^{7}/_{8}$x$5^{1}/_{2}$
14 count: $3^{3}/_{4}$x$4^{3}/_{8}$
16 count: $3^{3}/_{8}$x$3^{7}/_{8}$
18 count: $2^{7}/_{8}$x$3^{3}/_{8}$
22 count: $2^{3}/_{8}$x$2^{3}/_{4}$

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Happy Hearts

DMC		ANC	JPC	COLOR
677	·	292	2300	old gold vy lt
744	|	301	2293	yellow pale
783	L	307	5371	Christmas gold
422	\	373	5373	hazel nut lt
420	^	375	5374	hazel nut med
310	■	403	8403	black
912	O	205	6205	emerald green lt
500	V	879	6880	blue green vy dk
341	—	117	7005	blue violet lt
793	/	121	7110	cornflower blue med
796	X	133	7100	royal blue dk
976	T	365	2308	spice med
400	H	351	3340	mahogany med
760	/	9	3069	salmon
3328	O	11	3071	salmon med dk
814	X	22	3044	garnet dk

Outlines: 1 ply 310
"Herbs" & stems: 2 ply 500
Verses: 1 ply 796

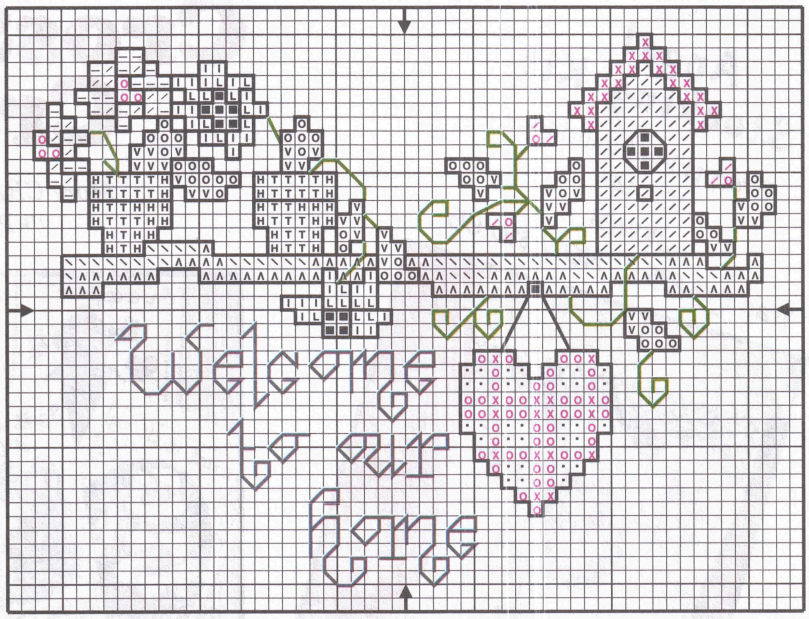
Stitch Counts—

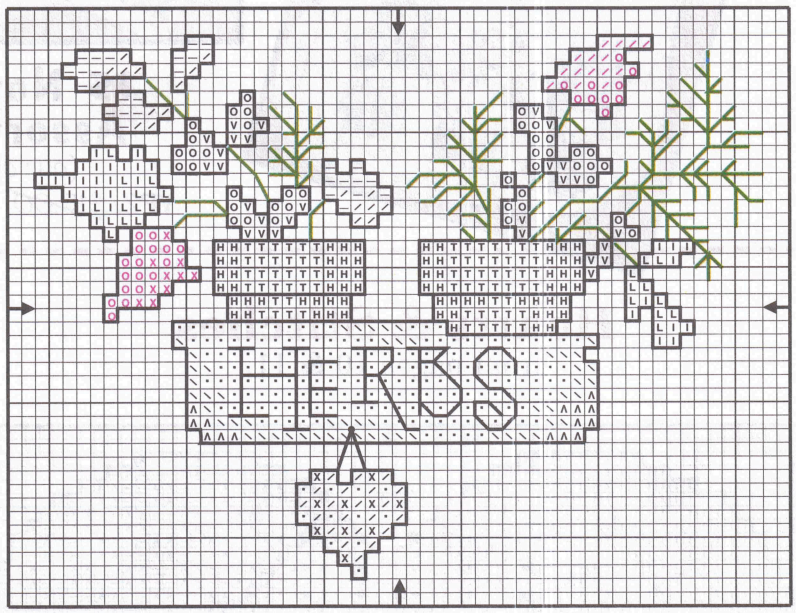
Welcome: 40x54
11 count: $3\frac{5}{8}$x$4\frac{7}{8}$
14 count: $2\frac{7}{8}$x$3\frac{7}{8}$
16 count: $2\frac{1}{2}$x$3\frac{3}{8}$
18 count: $2\frac{1}{4}$x3
22 count: $1\frac{7}{8}$x$2\frac{1}{2}$

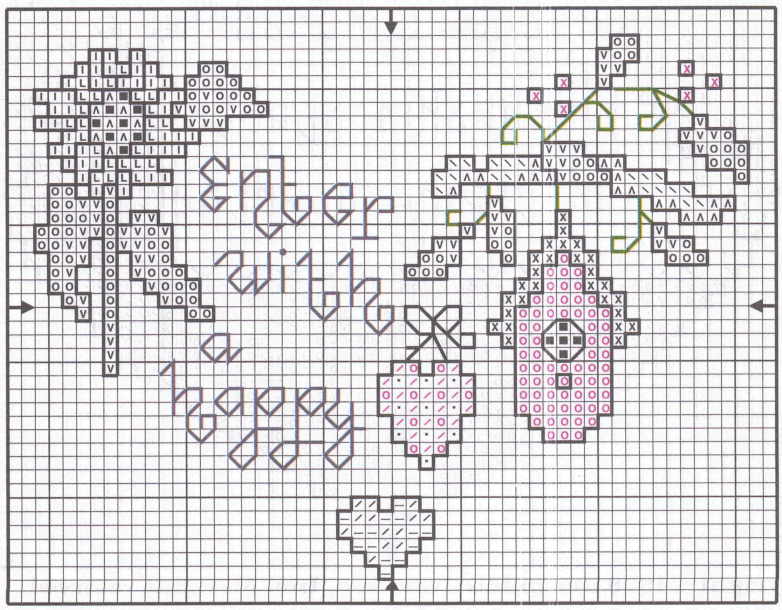
Herbs: 40x53
11 count: $3\frac{5}{8}$x$4\frac{7}{8}$
14 count: $2\frac{7}{8}$x$3\frac{3}{4}$
16 count: $2\frac{1}{2}$x$3\frac{3}{8}$
18 count: $2\frac{1}{4}$x$2\frac{7}{8}$
22 count: $1\frac{7}{8}$x$2\frac{1}{2}$

Charms:
Pansy (1) #BQ15
Butterflies (3) #BQ17
Bees (3) #BQ18

Enter: 40x52
11 count: $3\frac{5}{8}$x$4\frac{3}{4}$
14 count: $2\frac{7}{8}$x$3\frac{3}{4}$
16 count: $2\frac{1}{2}$x$3\frac{1}{4}$
18 count: $2\frac{1}{4}$x$2\frac{7}{8}$
22 count: $1\frac{7}{8}$x$2\frac{3}{8}$







Directions for Fabric Hang-ups

❤ Cut 2 pieces of plaid or calico approximately 7"x7" (you may vary dimensions according to your needs). Then cut a piece of polyester batting the same size as the fabric.

❤ Place fabric face to face with batting on top (half inch seams). Stitch all the way around perimeter, leaving a 2" opening. Clip corners and turn rightside out.

❤ Slipstitch opening closed. Add jute and buttons and tack the stitched Addition on.

Heart Additions: *(set of 3) #AA7..3/$10.95*
Charms:
Bees.....#BQ18.....3/$0.95
Butterflies...#BQ17.....3/$0.95
Pansy .....#BQ15.....3/$2.25
Pine Heart with peg: *NEP05.....3/$4.95*

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Hearts overflowing with welcome decorate these charming little country pillows. Herbs, greetings and happy hearts; birdhouses gingham and potted plants—all stitched together to make adorable designs and warm welcomes for your cozy country home.

Projects are worked on 14-ct. ivory Heart Additions.

Violets in pots—mouthfuls of sweet watermelon—birds in houses and the yellowest of sunflowers—all together proclaim the Word of God.

In the rich, warm days of summer, life moves at a slower pace and nature displays its panorama of treasures: an incredible show of God's bountiful love! And here are little signs of our own to stitch, hang up and praise Him!

24 Hour Cross Stitch Bug

HANG-UPS

Hang-ups *are worked on either ivory or brown (14-ct.) Perforated Paper.*

Accessories available:

Triple Birdhouse: *#TP01 . .$4.95*
Pine Heart *with peg: #NEP05 .3/$4.95*
Watering Cans:
Green .#DA06-G $2.50
Blue . .#DA06-B $2.50
Also available:
Red .#DA06-R $2.50

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See more product information on page 28.

Now Available!

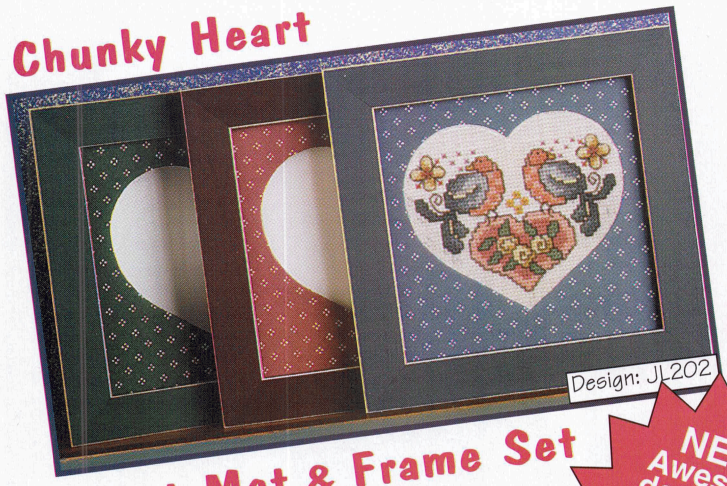
Triple Birdhouse

Country red, blue and green birdhouses decorated with bird, heart, twine & all tied up in gingham. Ready to hang in your country nest! Approximately 2 3/4"w x6 1/8"h x 2 1/2"d.

TP01...$4.95

PSALM
119:103
The seed is...
The Word of God
LUKE 8:11
Freely
you
have
received
Freely give
MATT
10:8

Chunky Heart



Pin Dot Mat & Frame Set

6"x6" $8.95

JKF13-Blue JKF14-Green JKF15-Red

5"x7"
Shaker Heart Frame & Pin Dot Mat Set

$9.95

JKF08 . . .Red
JKF09 . . .Blue
JKF10 . . .Green

NEW! Awesome designs—See hearts on page 10.

Heartfelt Praise Frame/Chart Set

8"x10" timeworn 1" country red frame & chart

JKF03...$11.95

Heart Mat & Frame Set

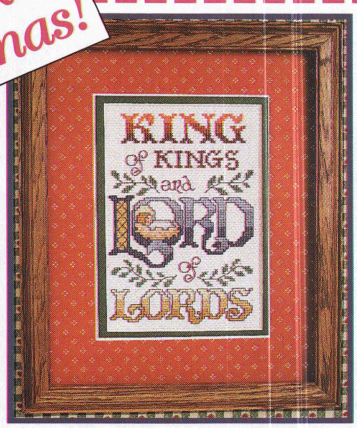
8"x10"
Double mat set, pine frame, chart.

JKF02.....$14.95

Frame only—
HW01.....$10.95

Think Christmas!

Get your stitching presents started NOW!



King of Kings Mat/Frame Set

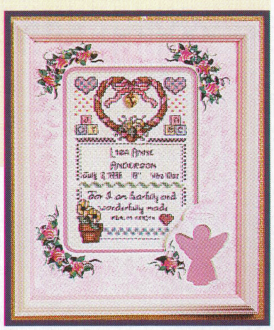
8"x10" wood frame, double mat set, chart.

JKF01...$13.95

Exquisite Hand-Painted Mats—

Only the best for your needlework!

All DCB prefix mats are hand-painted and bevel cut. Exquisite workmanship. Made in U.S.A.

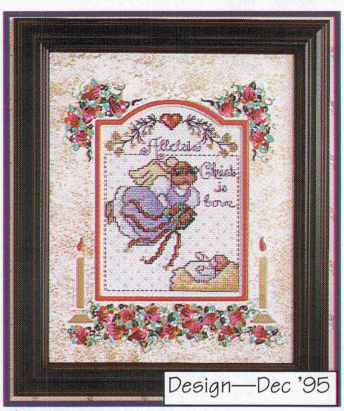


Baby Mat

8"x10" Pink
DCB04-P . . .$19.95

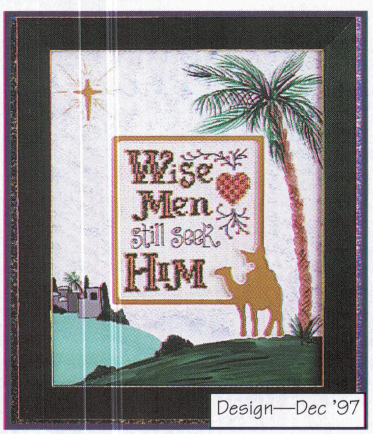
Wedding Mat

8"x10"
DCB03.....$19.95
(Frame not included.)



Christmas Mat

Festive Holiday 8"x10" mat.
DCB01.....$19.95
(Frame not included.)



Wiseman Mat

8"x10" DCB08...$19.95
(Frame not included.)

Our Favorite Shops

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The Continental Stitch
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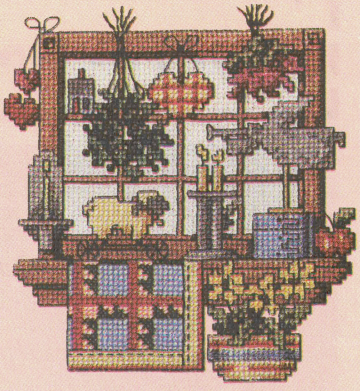

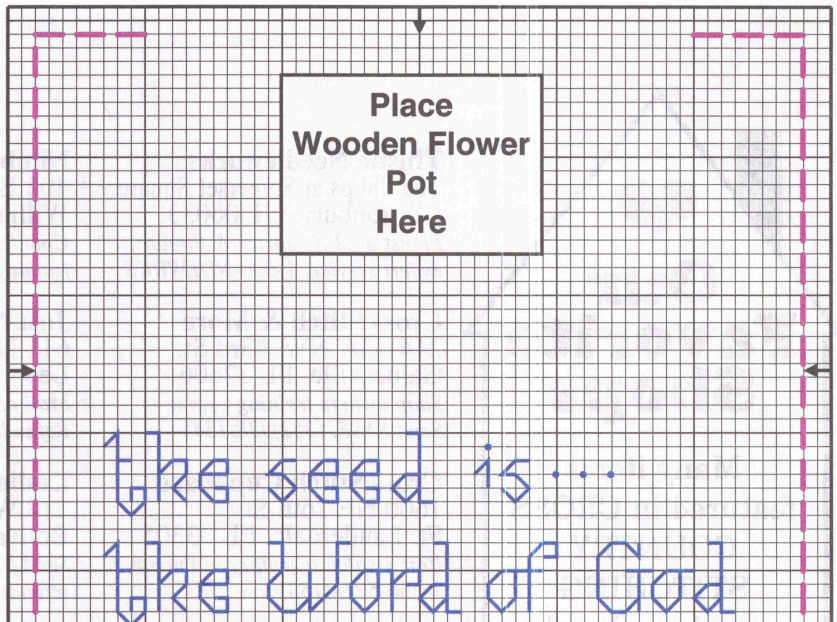

Directions for Country Hang-Ups

*Use all acrylic Folk Art Paints & Tacky Glue for these projects.

Flower Pot with Violets

- Paint base (#AD09-3) in a soldier or country blue.
- Cut stitched ivory perforated paper and glue to rectangle. (A heavy book will hold the paper in place until glue dries.)
- Paint the flower pot (#AD08-3) a terra cotta color. Glue primitive gingham ribbon and jute bow to painted flower pot.
- Paint small ❤ buttons (#WW03) barn red. Glue in place.
- Purchase small silk flower bouquet at craft store.
- Add green floral wire for hanging.

Sweet Watermelon Slice

- Paint base (#AD09-3) in a neutral color.
- Cut stitched ivory perforated paper according to pattern on chart. Glue to painted base.
- Paint watermelon slice (#AD10-3) barn red and forest green. Add green calico tie and white star (#HH05). Glue in place on perforated paper.
- Paint large hearts (#WW02) in barn red. Glue in place.
- Add green floral wire for hanging.

Bases:
Unfinished wood rectangle #AD09-3 . 3/$3.75

Unfinished wood **Cut-Outs:**
Birdhouse . . . . . #AD04-3 . . . . . 3/$3.25
Flowerpot . . . . . #AD08-3 . . . . . 3/$2.95
Watermelon w/bite . . #AD10-3 . . . . . 3/$2.95

Perforated Paper:
Ivory . .#PF01-I . . . . . .2/$3.25
Brown .#PF01-B . . . . . .2/$3.25

Unfinished wood **Buttons** *(6/pkg.):*
Small heart . . . . . #WW03 . . . . . $1.95
Large Heart. . . . . #WW02 . . . . . $1.95

Ceramic Buttons *(2/pkg.):*
Sunflowers . . . . . .#GBB12 . . . .$4.95
Stars . . . . . .#HH05 . . . .$2.95

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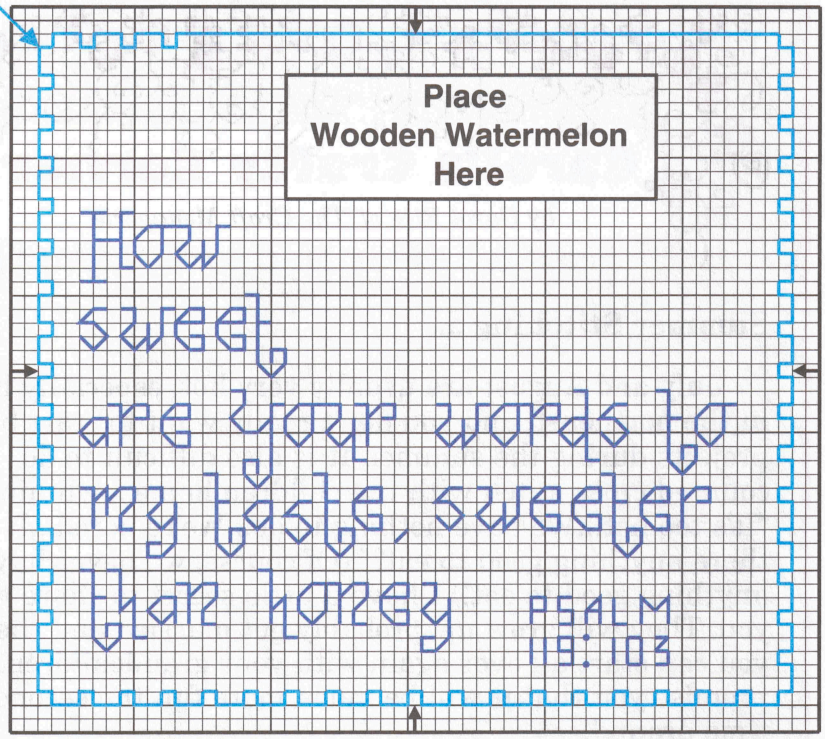
Signs

DMC		ANC	JPC	COLOR
890	X	879	6021	pistachio green vy dk

--------- 2 ply 814
Verses: 2 ply 336
XXXX 2 ply 890
cutting line (**do not** stitch)

Stitch Count:
(approx.) 50x56
11 count: 4 1/2 x 5
14 count: 3 5/8 x 4
16 count: 3 1/8 x 3 1/2
18 count: 2 3/4 x 3 1/8
22 count: 2 1/4 x 2 1/2

Do not stitch border – cutting line only



Let the Sun Shine Birdhouse

- Paint base (#AD09-3) in a barn red.
- Cut stitched brown perforated paper and glue to painted base.
- Paint birdhouse (#AD04-3) in a neutral color. Paint roof forest green. Glue to base. Glue two sunflower buttons (#GBB12) and gingham bow to birdhouse.
- Add green floral wire for hanging.

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More CRAZY specials on page 21.

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Carol's Crafty Corner

by Carol Rice of 'The Craft Menagerie'

Summer Stitching.....

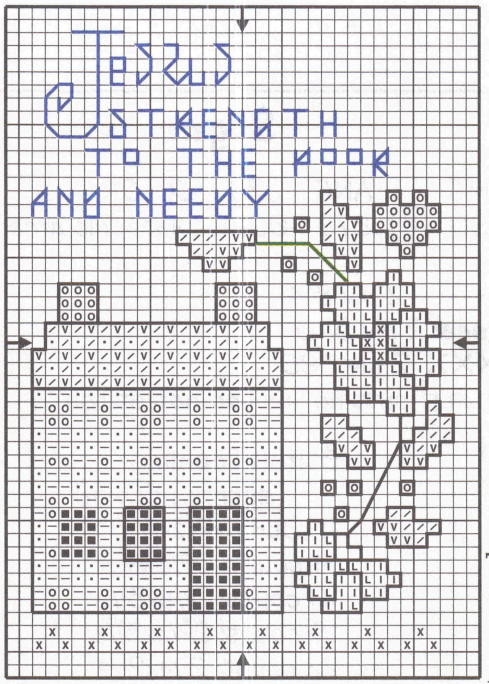
July and August are usually very hot, especially here in the northeast, and you don't really want to start big projects during the summer. It is also difficult to do counted cross stitch with the children home... whining: "It's too hot...We have nothing to do...We're bored...Is there anything good to eat?" (Of course, we never buy anything good to eat!) I have a little secret to share with you. They will grow up, probably get married and then you can start all over again with your grandchildren. I promise you that it will be much more fun the second time around!

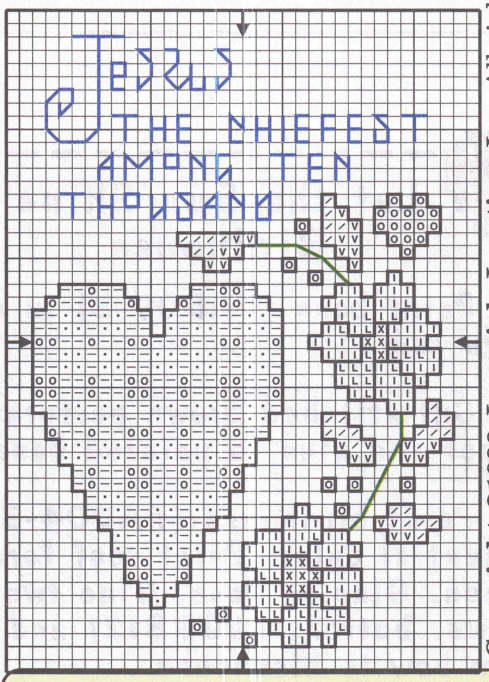
I love doing all the things that I didn't have time to do with my own children. When I'm busy with a project, my little grandson is very interested in what I'm doing and how it is done. We are able to share some very special moments together and he can learn an awful lot from "Grandma". This past year I designed a needlepoint piece for the White House Christmas tree. Joshua wanted to know all about it and we had daily discussions. He would tell me every time the "President" was on TV. He wanted to create a piece also, so we stitched a little together.

This month's *Cross Country Stitching* has some wonderful smaller projects using perforated paper. It always surprises me how many stitchers have never used this and don't even know what it is. Perforated paper is exactly what it's called: a heavy gauge paper with tiny holes punched through it. It comes in white, cream, red and brown. It is strong enough for ornaments or it can be framed. It cuts easily with scissors and you don't have to finish the edges. I have found it makes a great teaching tool for young children also.

I want to thank all of you that called the store saying you enjoyed my first article in *Cross Country Stitching* (April '98). It was fun to hear your stories about how you truly lived my cleaning experience. If you have a great, fun adventure that you would like to share with our readers, just drop me a line in care of Jeremiah Junction.

Questions for Carol? Write: **Carol**, c/o Jeremiah Junction, PO Box 710, Manchester, CT 06045.





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Jesus, Strength, Chiefest

DMC		ANC	JPC	COLOR
677	·	292	2300	old gold vy lt
743	|	297	2302	yellow pale med
783	L	307	5371	Christmas gold
3364	/	261	6010	pine green
3362	V	263	6318	pine green dk
939	■	127	7160	navy blue vy dk
223	—	894	3241	shell pink
221	O	897	3243	shell pink vy dk
792	X	122	7150	cornflower blue dk

Outlines: 1 ply 939
Stems: 2 ply 3362
Verse: 2 ply 792

Stitch Count: 32x47
11 count: $2^{7}/_{8}$x$4^{1}/_{4}$
14 count: $2^{1}/_{4}$x$3^{3}/_{8}$
16 count: 2x$2^{7}/_{8}$
18 count: $1^{3}/_{4}$x$2^{5}/_{8}$
22 count: $1^{1}/_{2}$x$2^{1}/_{8}$

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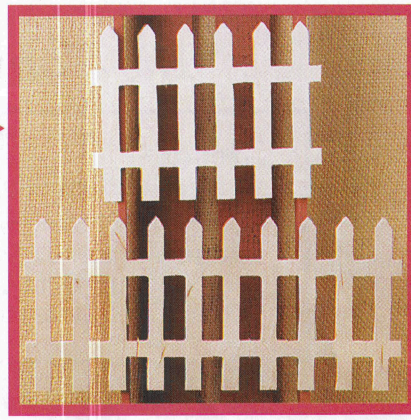

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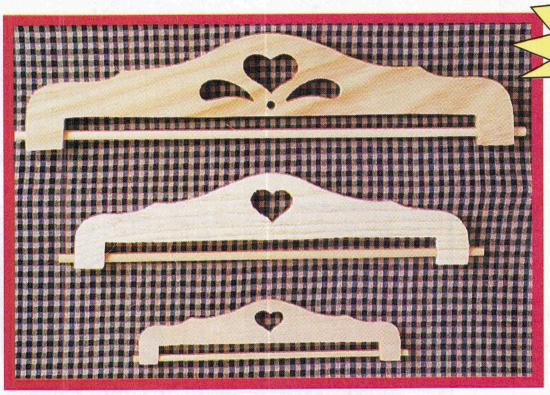

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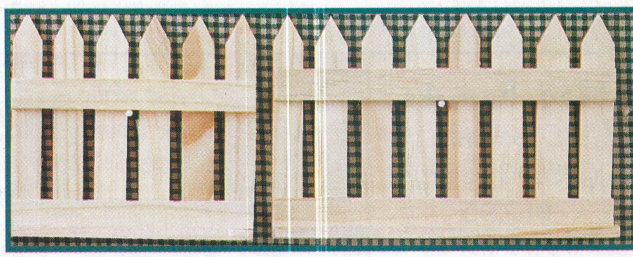

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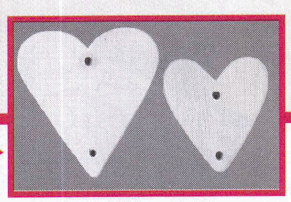

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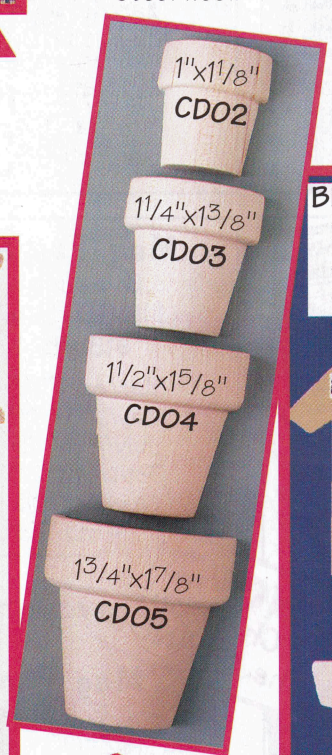

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Wood Cut-outs

Bird House
2¾"x4"
AD04-3
3/$3.25

House
3⅝"x4½"
AD05-3
3/$3.50

Great idea for Spools in April '98 issue!

Spool
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Flowerpot
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